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The Old Dream of Zionism Fades

Still one more of the problems which men hopefully believed were settled at Versailles now proves to be 20 years later far from solution.

It is that of the age-old Jewish dream of a homeland in Palestine. Under British mandate the beginnings of such a homeland have been made. Thousands of Jews have returned there from many countries of the world.

Now Britain exasperated at years of friction when it has had to interpose troops between factional fighting of Jews and Arabs apparently wishes to liquidate the whole thing so far as she is concerned.

Thus the world is presented with a new problem which is almost certain to become acute. Jews in many lands have actively supported the building of a homeland in Palestine.

Already in Eastern Europe plans are on foot to recruit a military force from Jews of many countries a sort of Foreign Legion for service in Palestine in case the Jews there find it necessary to defend themselves.

The Palestine problem is a complicated one on which even all Jews are not completely united. It is a subject on which most Americans are not widely informed.

Certain facts are pretty clear as regards British policy: with immense interests in the Far East with millions of Oriental subjects the British are evidently unwilling to risk offending the Arabs.

Thus it is clear that the fate of Palestine as a Jewish homeland is deeply affected by the great streams of international politics and is not a problem that can be considered in a vacuum or as an abstraction.

They say storm troopers entered Danzig in guise of tourists. Smart are the Nazis—nobody could be suspicious about tourists heading for a free city.

What's in a name? A California divorce case: Bliss vs. Bliss.

As the Royal Party Goes Into the Home Stretch



LOCAL—EASTLAND—SOCIAL

session closed with prayer by Mrs. Frank Davis. Mrs. W. P. Leslie brought a very interesting lesson. Present: Mmes. Leslie, Ammer, Quinn, L. E. Martin, Annie Cooke, J. Dwyer, Veon Howard, W. H. Mullings, C. W. Young, Mac O'Neil, I. J. Killough, J. W. Miller, Ed Cox, Jr., Robert Ferrell, Geo. Brogdon, W. O. Tyson, Hague, F. Davis, Simmons, Hail, Collins.

Miss Giles Becomes Bride of Mr. Haynes. Miss Johnnie Giles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Giles, became the bride of Mr. Gene Haynes in the impressive ring ceremony held in the parlor of the First Baptist Church in Cisco Saturday evening at 8:30.

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LYRIC LAST TIMES TODAY CLAUDETTE COLBERT JAMES STEWART ALSO SELECTED SHORTS IT'S A WONDERFUL WORLD

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Mrs. Kennedy on 'Vacation' Jewels Sparkle In A Penthouse

8 o'clock the Drago Studio presents students in recital at the First Methodist Church. The general public is cordially invited to attend.



Eastland Personal

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Simmons and daughter, Joyce Ann and Helen Jean, are vacationing in New Mexico this week.

With Europe so tense that "even the week-ends are hectic," Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy found being hostess at the U. S. Embassy in London "hard work, but great fun."

HERE'S THAT NEAT, FAST-ROLLING TOBACCO That smokes so mild and yet so rich! THE PRINCE ALBERT FOLKS START WITH CHOICE TOBACCO. THEY TAKE OUT THE BITE, ADD THE CRIMP CUT, AND PASS ON THE FASTEST-ROLLING, TASTIEST 'MAKINS' TOBACCO I EVER WRAPPED IN PAPERS

FRENCH LANDMARK

Crossword puzzle grid with clues: 1 Famous tower in Paris. 6 This is 50 years old. 12 Duet. 13 Saline solution. 15 Native metal. 16 Earth. 17 Being. 18 Thick slices. 20 Sun deity. 21 Tent. 23 Street (abbr.). 25 Ringlet. 27 By way of. 30 Idant. 31 Greek letter. 33 Sea eagle. 34 Folding bed. 35 Pressed. 36 grape skins. 37 Conducted. 38 Hour (abbr.). 39 Flying mammal. 40 Truck of a wild animal. 45 Throbs. 47 Road (abbr.).

Continuation of crossword puzzle grid with clues: 49 It is named after its designer. 51 Grain (abbr.). 52 River in France. 54 Fuel. 55 Bird of prey. 57 Brother. 58 Morsels. 60 Hind. 61 Stopped. 62 Toasting device. 2 Mental notion. 3 Ermine. 4 Because. 5 Pound. 6 Money. 7 Assault. 8 Northeast. 9 Mounds. 10 Epoch. 11 Tips. 14 Second note. 16 come. 18 Ovoid. 19 It was the loftiest known. 22 Pray thee. 23 Anger. 29 Frosty. 32 Heavenly body. 38 Uncommon. 41 Punitive. 42 Unit. 43 Giant king. 44 Inflexible. 45 To perplex. 46 Russian ruler. 48 Handy. 50 Wood demer. 51 Meritment. 53 Deity of war. 56 Obtained. 58 Common verb. 59 Therefore.

DATE WITH DANGER BY HELEN WORDEN

Yesterday, Clem Shirley and Martin quarrel when Martin threatens to blackmail her. A few minutes later, Mary Franklin finds Duke dead, shot. She grabs Clem's bag and revolver and calls her paper, but anonymously.

TEXAS BUSINESS IS CONTRARY TO TREND OVER WHOLE NATION

AUSTIN, Tex.—Texas business pessimistically curved upward during April, in contrast to the persistent decline in the national index, Dr. F. A. Buechel, University of Texas economist, said today.

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C. I. HYATT Olden Serving Eastland and Ranger

RED RYDER By Fred Harman



OUT OUR WAY By Williams



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

SISTER MARY'S KITCHEN

By Mrs. GAYNOR MADDOX NEA Service Staff Writer. VEAL chops respond to a little 'faux' and beef becomes very 'a la mode' with slow cooking and a bouquet from the vegetable garden.

Coast Clipper



Dixie Garner of Washington State breaks tape in 9:07.6 for fastest two miles ever run on Pacific coast as Cougars defeat Washington in Seattle.

Sticks To Tell If Forest Fire Peril Is Great or Not

By United Press. SAN DIEGO, Cal.—Thirty-six pieces of wood will go on sentinel duty this summer in the Cleveland National Forest.

Constable Shamed Uniform Is Stolen

By United Press. MONTREAL—Constable P. Lapre is taking a special interest in the search for one thief here.

World Prejudice Is A Political Factor

By United Press. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Prejudices favoring or opposing certain words are responsible for much political narrow-mindedness.

Try Our Want-Ads

ALLEY OOP By Hamlin



BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON—It is a queer mixture of fantasy and fact that the Dies committee is unearthing these days. If it shows how anyone at all can set up shop as a dealer in scare-stories about the 'Communist revolution'...

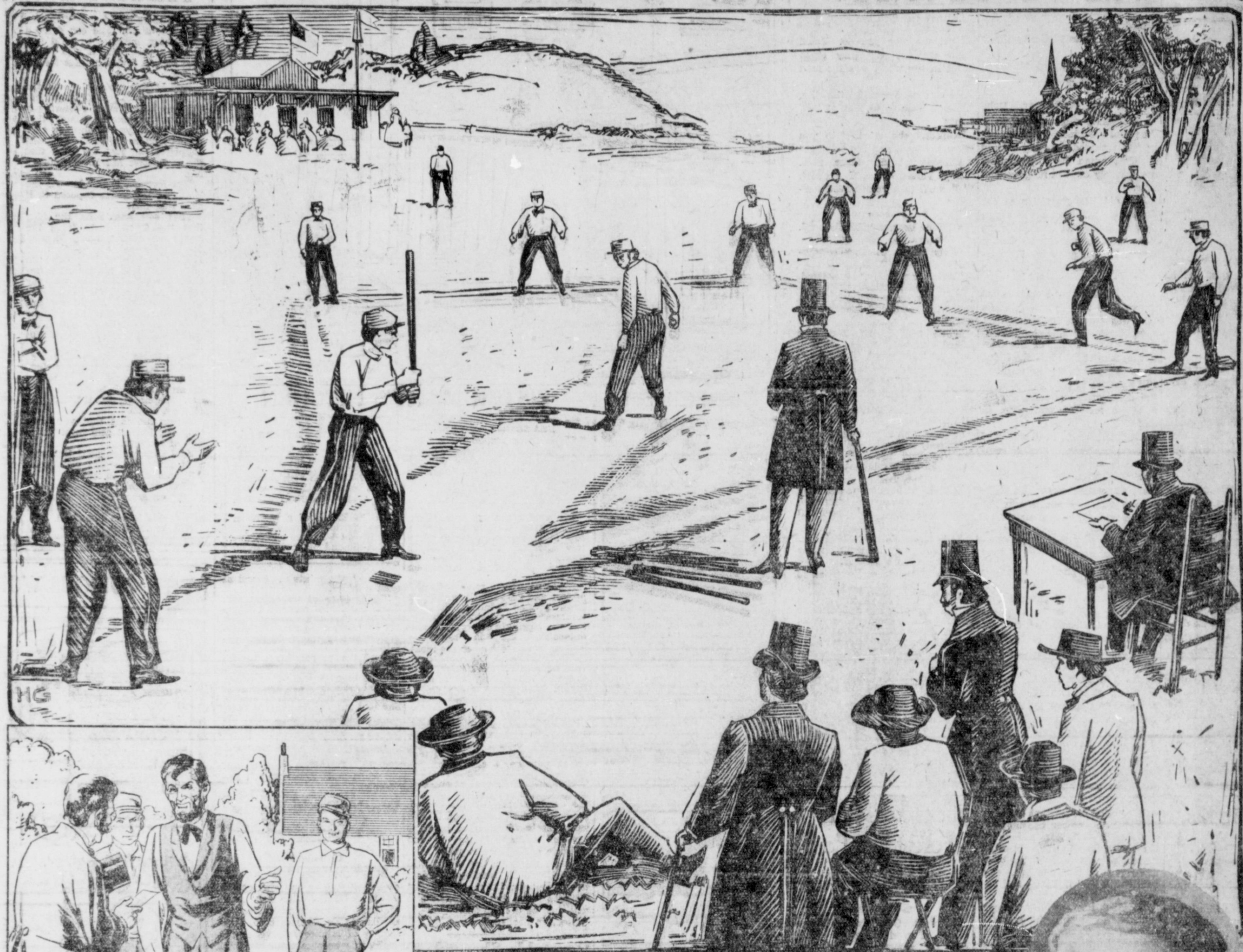
THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

Advertisement for Kwik-Kor-Ker toothpaste featuring a cartoon character and text about water molecules and dental health.

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Advertisement for Kwik-Kor-Ker toothpaste featuring a cartoon character and text about the Greenville baseball team and weather.

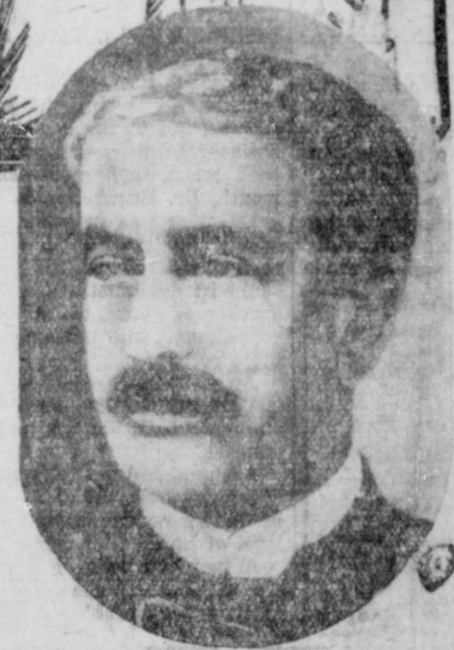
BASEBALL *throws a* 100th BIRTHDAY PARTY,



When party leaders came to notify Lincoln of his nomination for the presidency, they found him on the baseball diamond. "Wait until I bat a couple more," he told them.

In 1839 young Mr. Doubleday got the idea that grew into something pretty terrific in the way of a national game

An artist's conception of the first baseball game, above, played at Cooperstown, N. Y., in 1839. Maj.-Gen. Abner Doubleday, right, was the "father" of baseball.



By Jerry Bronfield

THEY honored Maj.-Gen. Abner Doubleday as a military hero when he died in 1893. He was an officer and a gentleman. He aimed the first cannon fired in defense of Fort Sumpter in the war between the states.

Yet the memory of Abner Doubleday will live not as a warrior, but as the man who gave America its national pastime—baseball.

The obese salaries of the hundreds of athletes now busy conditioning themselves in southern training camps were made possible by the growth of Abner Doubleday's idea.

Baseball this year is 100 years old and focal point of all celebration is directed upon Cooperstown, N. Y., where Doubleday invented the game. Cooperstown is the site of baseball's permanent Hall of Fame.

It wasn't Doubleday's idea to hit a ball with a club of some sort. Man has played games of this kind since the Stone Age.

But Doubleday in 1839, while a 20-year-old cadet at West Point, was convinced something could be done with the then current sport known as town ball, which in turn was nothing more than a large-scale form of "one o' cat," crude ball game of colonial days.

The game was played with a ball and a club of some sort, but there the resemblance to baseball ended. There was no limit to the number of players on each side and the bases were not an equal distance apart.

The man at bat hit the ball, and if it wasn't caught on the fly or first bounce, he tried to reach base without being hit by the ball, which was pegged at him in no gentle manner by the fielders. Each member of the hitting team had

to be put out before the side was retired.

There were no clearly-defined playing fields; no grandstands for spectators. In fact, there were no spectators to speak of. The players wore no uniforms, had no equipment other than the ball and makeshift bats.

DOUBLEDAY went to work. He laid out the first diamond and decided on three bases and home plate, 90 feet apart. He limited the number of players to a side—11—and did away with put-outs by the "soaking" method. Instead of hitting the runner with the ball, he proposed put-outs by tagging or throwing to a base.

Once he decided upon the basic form of the game he started his pioneer work. He went all over Cooperstown and immediate vicinity, explaining the game, its rules, and urging boys to play it.

The game, intended for smaller boys and youths, was destined for a greater following. Within a couple of years the "sports" of New York City began to get interested. They would get together on week-ends, lay aside their finest Sunday coat and play the game in a somewhat inept but gentlemanly manner.

Then, just as Abner Doubleday was the pioneer at the beginning, so did Alexander J. Cartwright, one of the more enthusiastic "sports," become the game's "missionary" in the city.

It was his contention that the game now had enough interest and enough active participants to warrant a regularly organized club. Thus, in September, 1845, was born the Knickerbocker Baseball Club, first of its kind in

America. Organized baseball had been born.

So successful were the Knickerbockers that they furnished the impetus for other clubs who soon followed their idea. Up sprang the Gothams, the Eagles and the Empires, all in New York. Brooklyn followed with the Excelsiors. By 1856 there was a strong inter-borough competitive spirit.

But the rise of so many clubs had torn down the structure of Abner Doubleday's original rules. There was a great inconsistency in the way the game was being played. The sport was in desperate need of further standardization.

In 1857, 16 clubs sent representatives to a general meeting with rules revision in mind, but nothing much was accomplished. The following year 25 clubs formed the National Association of Baseball Players.

The game gained wide following throughout the nation. When party officials came to notify Lincoln of his nomination they found him on the diamond and he made them wait until he had batted "a couple more."

IN 1869 came the birth of professional baseball. The Cincinnati Redlegs who had rounded up the best talent available in their section of the country, started to pay their players. They traveled from coast to coast and were practically invincible.

The professional idea bore fruit. In 1871 10 clubs organized the National Association of Professional Baseball Players and drew up a championship schedule of play, with New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Troy, Cleveland, Chicago, Rockford and Fort Wayne represented.

To Philadelphia in 1871 went the honor of winning the first professional championship of America.

Gambling, excessive drinking and other ills, set in upon the new organization and it soon be-

came apparent that if the public was to have any faith in and respect for baseball, there would have to be a general clean-up.

It was William A. Hulbert, president of the Chicago club, who instigated the all-important conference in New York in 1876 which resulted in the formation of what we now know as the National League.

The league instituted a reform so drastic that baseball was cleaned up, paving the way for the organization of minor leagues.

Going into the 20th century, Ban Johnson, who had risen from the sports editorship of a Cincinnati paper to the presidency of the Western League, saw the possibility of another major circuit and by 1901 he had the American League organized, with himself as president.

Competition of the two leagues was the best thing that could have happened to the game. Not only did it produce better baseball but enhanced the interest of fans.

It was only a natural step to pit the champions of each league against each other at the close of the season, and in 1903 came the first of the modern World Series, in which Boston of the American defeated Pittsburgh of the National.

In 1904 John McGraw, manager of the New York Giants, who had led the National League, scoffed at the ability of the Boston Americans, winner of their league title, and consequently refused to play in the post-season series because he considered the Bostonians far beneath the station of a major league club.

The series was revived in 1905, and has been the great fall classic ever since.

Today the National League, headed by Ford Frick, and the American League, presided over by Will Harridge, are the acme of organization and business efficiency. But the technical side of the game has come as far as its spiritual development.

RULE changes, equipment, improved player performance and increased spectator interest have made baseball, America's greatest sporting panorama.

In the early days players wore no uniforms, no gloves. It wasn't until 1875 that protection for players' hands made its appearance, when Charley Waite, Boston National first baseman, came onto the diamond wearing a glove.

The first umpire was a rather inactive individual, who wore a silk hat and took a spot somewhere to the rear of and to the right of the catcher, and proceeded to make his decisions from there. It was years before strikes and balls were a mandatory decision, and the umpire called all his verdicts on plays in the field from his position near the plate.

The original Cincinnati Red Stockings paid George Wright, their star shortstop, the staggering figure of \$1400 for the season. Babe Ruth drew down \$60,000 for one year's labor with the Yankees in his hey-day.

The stars of yesterday have faded before the shining lights of the present, but the old-timers won't ever be completely forgotten.

Modern baseball is a tremendous business. Twenty-five million people witnessed baseball games last summer. It's an industry running into millions of dollars.

Men like Ban Johnson, John McGraw, Connie Mack, Col. Jacob Ruppert, Wilbert Robinson and Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis didn't work for nothing.

They've seen to it that the best spring tons any American can have is:

"Play ball!"

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